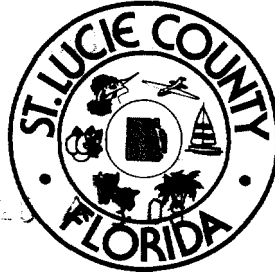


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DOUGLAS M. ANDERSON

February 21, 2001

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Federal Communications Commission
Attn: Ms. Magalie Salas
445 - 12th Street SW, Room TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Comments in Support of Florida Public Service Commission Petition

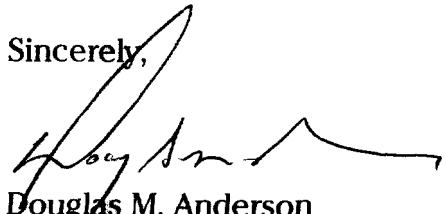
Dear Ms. Salas:

I am writing you in regard to "DA No. 01-341"/Dkt No 96-98" concerning the possible ten-digit "overlay" dialing in Palm Beach County. St. Lucie County supports the Public Service Commission's state plan which extends the 561 area code life a minimum of three years. It is also our understanding that through this plan Indian River, St. Lucie, and Martin Counties would enjoy a new area code with relief spanning 24 years into the future.

Please find attached Resolution #00-200, approved by the Board of County Commissioners on September 12, 2000, opposing the elimination of seven-digit dialing and requiring ten-digit dialing for 561 area code customers

The next meeting of the St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners will be Tuesday, February 27 at which time they will be considering an additional resolution supporting the state plan that was approved by the Public Service Commission.

Sincerely,


Douglas M. Anderson
County Administrator

DMA:es01-28

c: Board of County Commissioners
Senator Ron Klein, District 28
Robert Bradshaw, Assistant County Administrator
Dan McIntyre, County Attorney

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RESOLUTION NO. 00-200

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSAL
OF FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION STAFF TO ELIMINATE
SEVEN-DIGIT DIALING AND REQUIRING
TEN- DIGIT DIALING FOR 561 AREA CODE
CUSTOMERS**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County, Florida, has made the following determinations:

1. In 1990, Florida had four area codes which has more than tripled to thirteen area codes at the present time. The problem BellSouth is facing is due to a shortage of numbers to go around. The demand for numbers has grown as consumers keep buying cell phones, computers, pagers, faxes and second lines.

2. Florida Public Service Commission staff has proposed to change telephone calls along the Treasure Coast to ten-digit dialing which will also include local connections.

3. This Board believes the proposal of Florida Public Service Commission staff to eliminate seven-digit dialing and requiring ten-digit dialing is an unnecessary burden on St. Lucie County businesses and residents, and therefore, not in the best interest of the citizens of St. Lucie County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County, Florida:

1. This Board opposes the proposal of Florida Public Service Commission staff to eliminate seven-digit dialing and requiring ten-digit dialing for 561 area code customers.

2. This Board urges the Florida Public Service Commission to allow the Treasure Coast to retain the 561 area code seven-digit dialing, and give a different area code to Palm Beach County.

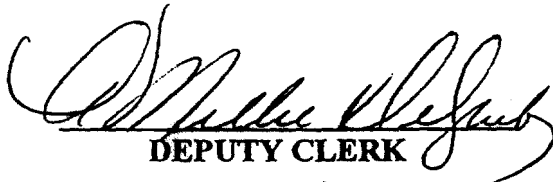
3. The County Administrator is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the Florida Public Service Commission.

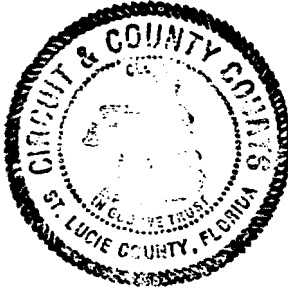
After motion and second the vote on this resolution was as follows:

Chairman John D. Bruhn	AYE
Vice Chairman Frannie Hutchinson	ABSENT
Commissioner Paula A. Lewis	AYE
Commissioner Cliff Barnes	AYE
Commissioner Doug Coward	AYE

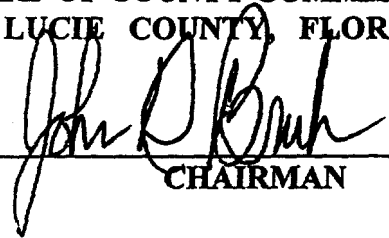
PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 12th day of September, 2000.

ATTEST:

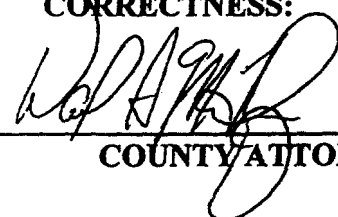

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BY: 
CHAIRMAN

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
CORRECTNESS:**


COUNTY ATTORNEY